

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—92) **Pages S2439, S2441**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:21 p.m., until 3:00 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2468.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William Scott Hardy, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of

Pennsylvania, David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, Drew B. Tipton, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, John Peter Cronan, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, Thomas T. Cullen, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, Jennifer P. Togliatti, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nevada, Stephen Sidney Schwartz, of Virginia, and Kathryn C. Davis, of Maryland, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, and Peter M. McCoy, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina, and Vincent F. DeMarco, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of New York, both of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 6860–6881; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 968, were introduced. **Page H2003**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2004–05**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 965, authorizing remote voting by proxy in the House of Representatives and providing for official remote committee proceedings during a public health emergency due to a novel coronavirus, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–420); and H. Res. 967, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 965) authorizing remote voting by proxy in the House of Representatives and providing for official remote committee proceedings during a public health emergency due to a novel coronavirus, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6800) making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes; providing for proceedings during the period from May 19, 2020, through July 21, 2020; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–421). **Pages H2002–03**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Scanlon to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2001**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:03 p.m. and reconvened at 9:12 p.m. **Page H2001**

Senate Referral: S. 2661 was held at the desk. **Page H2001**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H2001.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PROTECTING SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY IN THE COVID-19 RESPONSE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Protecting Scientific Integrity in the COVID-19 Response”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AUTHORIZING REMOTE VOTING BY PROXY IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND PROVIDING FOR OFFICIAL REMOTE COMMITTEE PROCEEDINGS DURING A PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY DUE TO A NOVEL CORONAVIRUS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES; MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE; HEROES ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing and a markup on H. Res. 965, authorizing remote voting by proxy in the House of Representatives and providing for official remote committee proceedings during a public health emergency due to a novel

coronavirus, and for other purposes [Original Jurisdiction Hearing]; and a hearing on H.R. 6800, the “HEROES Act”. H. Res. 965 was ordered reported, without amendment. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of H. Res. 965, Authorizing remote voting by proxy in the House of Representatives and providing for official remote committee proceedings during a public health emergency due to a novel coronavirus, and for other purposes, and H.R. 6800, the “Heroes Act”. The rule provides for consideration of H. Res. 965, Authorizing remote voting by proxy in the House of Representatives and providing for official remote committee proceedings during a public health emergency due to a novel coronavirus, and for other purposes, under a closed rule. The rule provides that upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order without intervention of any point of order to consider H. Res. 965. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that the resolution shall be considered as read. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6800, the “Health and Economic Recovery Omnibus Emergency Solutions Act”, under a closed rule. The rule provides that upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider H.R. 6800 without intervention of any question of consideration. The rule provides two hours of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment printed in the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides that clause 2(e) of rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that until completion of proceedings enabled by the first two sections of the resolution, the Chair may decline to entertain any intervening motion (except as expressly provided herein), resolution, question, or notice; and the Chair may decline to entertain the question of consideration. Section 4 of the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from May 19, 2020, through July 21, 2020: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the

House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. The rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution. The rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a calendar day for the purposes of section 7 of the War Powers Resolution. The rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a legislative day for purposes of clause 7 of rule XIII. The rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 of the resolution shall not constitute a calendar or legislative day for purposes of clause 7(c)(1) of rule XXII. The rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 4 shall not constitute a legislative day for the purposes of clause 7 of rule XV. The rule provides for consideration of concurrent resolutions providing for adjournment during the month of July, 2020. The rule provides that it shall be in order at any time through the calendar day of July 19, 2020, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules as though under clause 1 of rule XV, and that the Speaker or her designee shall consult with the Minority Leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this section. The rule waives the requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of July 21, 2020. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lowey, Chairman Pallone, and Representatives Hoyer, Rodney Davis of Illinois, Bergman, Bishop of North Carolina, Byrne, Jordan, Pence, Cole, and Grothman.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.